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Confederate general in the American Civil War (1861–65) who was often described as a “born military genius”; his rule of action, “Get there first with the most men,” became one of the most often quoted statements of the war. A major blemish on his record, however, was the Massacre of Ft. Pillow (April 12, 1864)—the slaughter by his soldiers of more than 300 blacks after the surrender of Ft. Pillow, Tenn.

Nathan Bedford Forrest

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Nathaniel Bedford Forrest (July 13, 1821 – October 29, 1877) was a [Confederate](#) army [general](#) and an instrumental figure in the founding and growth of the [Ku Klux Klan](#).

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Military career

Given that Forrest had earned much of his fortune engaging in the [slave trade](#) (as much as \$50,000 per year), he favored the continuation of [states' rights](#) to preserve slavery, and therefore supported the [Confederate](#) side in the war. After war broke out, Forrest returned to Tennessee and enlisted as a [private](#) in the [Confederate States Army](#). On July 14, 1861, he joined Captain [J.S. White](#)'s Company "E", [Tennessee Mounted Rifles](#).^[3] Upon seeing how badly equipped the CSA was, Forrest made an offer to buy horses and equip a [regiment](#) of Tennessee volunteer soldiers, using his own money. His superior officers and the state governor, surprised that someone of Forrest's wealth and prominence had enlisted as a soldier of the lowest rank, commissioned him as a [colonel](#). In October 1861, he was given command of his own regiment, "[Forrest's Tennessee Cavalry Battalion](#)". Forrest had no prior formalized [military training](#) or experience. He applied himself diligently to learn, and having an innate sense of successful [tactics](#)

Battle of Fort Pillow



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Forrest went to work and soon raised a 6,000-man force of his own, which he led back into west Tennessee. He did not have the resources to retake the area and hold it, but he did have enough force to render it useless to the Union army. He led several more raids into the area, from [Paducah, Kentucky](#), on [March 25, 1864](#), to the controversial [Battle of Fort Pillow](#) on [April 12, 1864](#). In that battle, Forrest demanded unconditional surrender, or else he would "put every man to the sword", language he frequently used to expedite a surrender. The battle's details remain disputed and

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in full *John Ronald Reuel Tolkien* English writer and scholar who achieved fame with his children's book *The Hobbit* (1937) and his richly inventive epic fantasy *The Lord of the Rings* (1954-55).

At age four Tolkien, with his mother and younger brother, settled near Birmingham, England, after his father, a bank manager, died in South Africa. In 1900 his mother converted to Roman Catholicism, a faith her elder son also practiced devoutly. On her death in 1904, her boys became wards of a Catholic priest. Four years later Tolkien fell in love with another orphan, Edith Bratt, who would inspire his fictional character Lúthien Tinúviel. His guardian, however, disapproved, and not until his 21st birthday could Tolkien ask Edith to marry him. In the meantime, he attended King Edward's School in Birmingham and Exeter College, Oxford (B.A., 1915; M.A. 1919). During World War I he saw action in the Somme

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John Ronald Reuel Tolkien CBE (January 3, 1892 – September 2, 1973) was an [English philologist](#), [writer](#) and [university professor](#) who is best known as the author of *The Hobbit* and *The Lord of the Rings*. He was an [Oxford](#) professor of [Anglo-Saxon language](#) (1925 to 1945) and [Merton Professor of English language and literature](#) (1945 to 1959). He was a devout [Roman Catholic](#). Tolkien was a close friend of [C. S. Lewis](#); they were both members of the informal literary discussion group known as the [Inklings](#).

In addition to *The Hobbit* and *The Lord of the Rings*, Tolkien's published fiction includes *The Silmarillion* and other [posthumously](#) published books, which taken together is a connected body of tales, fictional histories, invented languages, and literary essays about an imagined world called [Arda](#), and [Middle-earth](#) (derived from the [Old English](#) word *middangeard*, the lands inhabitable by [humans](#)) in particular, loosely identified as an "alternative" remote past of our own world. Tolkien applied the word *legendarium* to the totality of these writings. The posthumously published books were edited by his son [Christopher Tolkien](#).

While fantasy authors such as [William Morris](#), [Robert E. Howard](#) and [E. R. Eddison](#) preceded Tolkien, the great success and enduring influence of his works have led to him being popularly identified as the "[father](#) of modern [fantasy](#) literature".^[1] In any case, Tolkien has had an indisputable and lasting effect on [later works](#).

John Ronald Reuel Tolkien



Tolkien in 1972, in his study at [Merton Street](#), Oxford. Source: *J. R. R. Tolkien: A Biography*, by [Humphrey Carpenter](#).

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